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SUPPLEMENT.²

N. J. 3409-3449.

NOTICES OF JUDGMENT UNDER THE FOOD AND DRUGS ACT.

[Given pursuant to section 4 of the Food and Drugs Act.]

3409. Adulteration of eggs in the shell. U. S. v. S. J. Hurst, jr. Plea of guilty. Fine, \$25 and costs. (F. & D. No. 3790. I. S. No. 3806-d.)

At a stated term of the District Court of the United States for the Western District of Missouri, the grand jurors of the United States within and for said district, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, returned an indictment against S. J. Hurst, jr., Kansas City, Mo., charging the shipment by said defendant in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, on or about August 28, 1911, from the State of Missouri into the State of Illinois, of a quantity of eggs in the shell which were adulterated.

Examination of samples of the product by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed the following results:

	Number of eggs.	Per cent.
Black rot.....	5	6.9
White rot.....	25	34.7
Stale, weak yolk.....	6	8.4
Stale, weak yolk, blood ring.....	1	1.4
Stale, black spot, weak yolk.....	2	2.7
Stale only.....	1	1.4
Black spot, weak yolk.....	2	2.7
Blood ring, weak yolk.....	1	1.4
Blood ring only.....	1	1.4
Weak yolk only.....	12	16.7
Yolk discolored.....	1	1.4
Fair or good.....	14	19.5
Egg broken.....	1	1.4
	72	100.0

Adulteration was charged in the indictment for the reason that the eggs consisted in part of a filthy, decomposed, and [or] putrid animal substance, said eggs containing spots of rot, spots of mold and embryos, and which said eggs were unfit for food.

On April 22, 1914, the defendant entered a plea of guilty to the indictment, and the court imposed a fine of \$25 and costs.

D. F. HOUSTON, *Secretary of Agriculture.*

WASHINGTON, D. C., *September 24, 1914.*

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